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PATENT**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: Lan et al.

Confirmation No: 6758

Serial No.: 10/539,396

Group Art Unit: 1652

Filed: June 16, 2005

Examiner: Raghu

For: Thermostable alpha-amylases

STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.808

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:


The above-captioned application refers to deposit(s) of biological material which have been made at Deutsche Sammlung von Mikroorganismen und Zellkulturen GmbH (DSMZ) under the Budapest Treaty and assigned accession number DSM 15334.

All restrictions on the availability to the public of the deposited material will be irrevocably removed upon the granting of the U.S. patent.

The deposit(s) will be maintained for (a) thirty years, (b) at least five years after the most recent request for the furnishing of a sample of the deposit is received by the depository, or (c) the enforceable life of the U.S. patent granted from this application, whichever is longest. If the deposited material becomes inviable during the above term, the deposited material will be replaced.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: August 21, 2006



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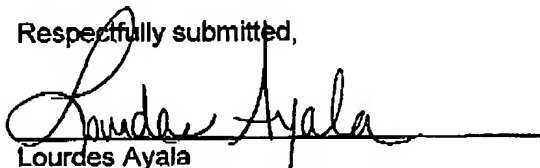
Sir:

I hereby certify that the attached correspondence comprising:

1. Amendment Fee Transmittal (in duplicate)
2. Amendment
3. Deposit Statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.808

was sent to the United States Patent and Trademark Office by telefax to the attention of Examiner Raghu, fax number (571) 273-8300.

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AMENDMENT FEE TRANSMITTAL

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for the above-identified application in response to the Office Action mailed March 24, 2006.


It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action be extended for a period of 2 months from June 24, 2006 to August 24, 2006. The required fee for the extension is estimated to be \$450.

No additional claims fee is required.

Please charge the required extension fees, estimated to be \$450, to Novozymes North America, Inc., Deposit Account No. 50-1701. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

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